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Here's the USGS info - the link below is the report. Clackamas is at the low end of the group. One interesting hit is BTX - not sure where the BTX would be coming from in the Clackamas....

http://pubs.usgs.gov/sir/2008/5208/pdf/sir2008-5208.pdf

From: Kurt D Carpenter [mailto:kdcar@usgs.gov] Sent: Thursday, December 04, 2008 7:08 PM To: SHIBLEY Gail R; CONNERS Deanna E; HARVEY Julie; STEWART Sheree; Steven L Riley; Janet Fults Subject: ****Release of USGS National Drinking Water Report****

fyi... the USGS SWQA National drinking water study will be released at a Congressional briefing tomorrow morning $7 \mathrm{am}\,.$

This will include organic contaminant results from the Clackamas River (source and finished water). Although the data for this report was released a couple years ago, this is the interpretive product that shows how the Clackamas River rated among the other 8 locations, and compares . With the notable exception of gasoline hydrocarbons, the Clackamas was on the low end of the spectrum (relatively better water quality) compared with most.

Here is the press release and talking points provides for the participating water utilities, but it has information that you may find useful in the case that you are contacted. All 9 water utilities decided to allow release of their names if we are asked.

I am preparing a Fact Sheet to present the results for the Clackamas River study, which will be published early next year.